03500.014393

PATENT APPLICATION 5/1/03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		)	
•		:	Examiner: M. Nghiem
SHOZO HATTORI, et al.		)	
		:	Group Art Unit: 2863
Application No.: 09/543,331		)	
		:	
Filed: April 5, 2000		)	
		:	
For:	INK ABSORBENT, INK	)	
	TANK, INK CARTRIDGE,	:	
	METHOD FOR	)	
	MANUFACTURING INK	:	
	ABSORBENT, AND METHOD	)	
	FOR MANUFACTURING INK	:	April 28, 2003
	TANK	)	

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, please amend the above-identified application, as follows: